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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Jack E.  
4 Cook of Elgin, who passed away on February 1, 2011; and

5           WHEREAS, He was born on September 12, 1924 in Elgin; he was  
6 a life-long resident of Elgin, a graduate of the University of  
7 Illinois School of Pharmacy, and the proprietor of Parkview  
8 Drugs, Cook's Pharmacy, and Manor Pharmacy; and

9           WHEREAS, He was an active sponsor, manager, and coach of  
10 Cook's Cardinals women's fast-pitch baseball and women's  
11 hockey teams; and

12           WHEREAS, He was appointed to the Kane County Board from  
13 District 20 in 1989, and won election the following year; he  
14 served on the Board for 15 years, during which he also served  
15 as President of the Forest Preserve District for 8 years; and

16           WHEREAS, He helped create Chicago Wilderness, a regional  
17 alliance dedicated to protecting nature and enriching life;  
18 today there are more than 250 organizations involved in the  
19 program; and

20           WHEREAS, He was a proud veteran of World War II and the

1 Korean War; he took great pride in helping fund and construct  
2 Veterans Memorial Park; and

3 WHEREAS, He was a life-long Cubs, Blackhawks, Bears, and  
4 Kane County Cougars fan; and

5 WHEREAS, Jack Cook was the beloved husband of Barbara; the  
6 father of Mari (Dale) Gathman, Tom (Michelle) Cook, and Stacey  
7 (Ron) Jakes; and the grandfather of Jay, Jonathon, Tom, Marti,  
8 Nic, Zac, Chris, Jon, and Brian; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
10 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
11 we mourn, along with his family and friends, the passing of  
12 Jack Cook; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
14 presented to the family of Jack Cook as a symbol of our sincere  
15 sympathy.